

**South Shore Educational Collaborative
75 Abington Street, Hingham, MA 02043**

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Friday, April 26, 2019**

Present:	Louise Demas	Cohasset
	Dorothy Galo, Ph.D.	Hingham
	Michael Devine	Hull
	Mary Gormley	Milton
	Matthew Keegan	Norwell
	Richard DeCristofaro, Ed.D.	Quincy
	Thea Stovell	Randolph
	Ron Griffin	Scituate

SSEC: Richard L. Reino, Executive Director
Patricia Mason, Director of Student Services

The meeting was called to order at 8:35 a.m.

1. Acceptance of the minutes from the March 8th meeting. A motion to accept was made by Mr. Devine and seconded by Mr. Keegan; unanimously approved with Ms. Gormley, Mr. Griffin and Dr. DeCristofaro abstaining as they were not present for that meeting.
2. Acceptance of the financial summary and budget update. The current bank balance is strong; credit line is still zero. The final payment of the moving loan is being made this month. Referrals at the high school level and elementary/middle level are still coming in. The eighth grade transition class may be full when it starts in September. SSEC has contributed \$94,500 to OPEB so far this year. A motion to accept the financial summary and budget update was made by Mr. Keegan and seconded by Mr. Devine; unanimously approved.
3. Acceptance of the FY 20 budget. Mr. Reino provided an overview of the budget including tuition rates. Rent will increase on the building at 75 Abington Street next year. A motion to accept the operating budget was made by Mr. Griffin and seconded by Dr. DeCristofaro; unanimously approved.
4. Update on the SSH Coordinator position. Susan Mackoul will begin on July 1, 2019. She has extensive experience working with students who have social/emotional needs. We look forward to welcoming her to the SSEC.
5. OPEB contribution of \$31,500. This would be the final OPEB contribution for FY 19. A motion to approve was made by Mr. Griffin and seconded by Mr. Keegan; unanimously approved.

approved. Mr. Griffin expressed appreciation for SSEC finding a way to make OPEB contributions happen.

6. Three year classroom rental contract with Hull Public Schools. Mr. Devine said that having the Mini School classrooms located in the Hull Public Schools has been wonderful; Hull has the space and they are happy to provide it to SSEC. It has offered some great opportunities for Hull staff. A motion to authorize Mr. Reino to draw up a three year classroom rental contract using the current rate per classroom was made by Ms. Demas and seconded by Mr. Keegan; unanimously approved. The Hull superintendent noted that the current classroom rental rate is supported by the school committee.
7. Executive Director's evaluation. The board meets a subcommittee comprised of three board members to review Mr. Reino's evaluation and contract. Mr. Griffin, Dr. DeCristofaro and Mr. Keegan volunteered to serve on the subcommittee. A recommendation will be provided to the full board at the next meeting.
8. Other items:
 - SSEC is still seeking a third party to prescribe medications to students.
 - The Town of Abington has not communicated further regarding becoming a member district of SSEC.
 - Mr. Reino shared correspondence that he received from Scott Borstel, a former board member, regarding a leadership coaching, mentoring, and consulting firm he established.
 - If member district tuition credits are going to be issued, that will be discussed at the May meeting.
 - Mr. Keegan reminded board members of the annual school committee vote to appoint the board representative for the following school year.
9. Executive Session. Chapter 39, Section 29, mandates that in order to go into Executive Session, the Collaborative Board must:
 - a. Do so on a roll call vote.
 - b. State purpose of Executive Session
 - c. Indicate whether the body will reconvene in public session.

Matters to be considered in Executive Session: Discussion of Legal Matter

A motion to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing litigation, not to return to open session, was made by roll call vote with Ms. Gormley voting yes, Mr. Keegan voting yes, Ms. Demas voting yes, Mr. Devine voting yes, Mr. Griffin voting yes, Dr. DeCristofaro voting yes, Ms. Stovell voting yes, and Dr. Galo voting yes; unanimously approved.

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 am.